## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Nels R. SMITH et al.

Title: VEHICLE COMPONENT AND METHOD

FOR MAKING A VEHICLE COMPONENT

App. No.: 10/585,038

International 1/3/2005

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Examiner: Ryan M. Ochylski

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## REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## Commissioner:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

- 1. <u>Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114</u>: (check items that apply)
  - a. Previously submitted:

- [ ] Other \_\_.
- b. Enclosed are:
- [X] Amendment/Reply.
- [X] Information Disclosure Statement.
- [X] Form PTO/SB/08 with copies of 3 listed reference(s).
- [] Other.

## Miscellaneous:

[ ] Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_ months.

The filing fee is calculated below:

|                  | Claims as<br>Amended |       | viously<br>d For |      | Extra Claims<br>Present |     | Rate     |   | Fee Totals |
|------------------|----------------------|-------|------------------|------|-------------------------|-----|----------|---|------------|
| RCE Fee 1.17(e): |                      |       |                  |      |                         |     | \$930.00 | = | \$930.00   |
| Total Claims:    | 20                   | -     | 20               | =    | 0                       | X   | \$60.00  | = | \$0.00     |
| Independents     | 3                    | -     | 3                | =    | 0                       | X   | \$250.00 | = | \$0.00     |
| First p          | resentation of       | any M | ultiple I        | Depe | ndent Claims:           | +   | \$450.00 | = | \$0.00     |
|                  |                      |       |                  |      | CLAIMS                  | FEE | E TOTAL: | = | \$930.00   |

[X] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

| \$0.00     | 0   | \$150.00   | Extension for response filed within the first month:  | []  |
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| \$0.00     | )   | \$560.00   | Extension for response filed within the second month: | []  |
| \$1,270.00 | )   | \$1,270.00 | Extension for response filed within the third month:  | [X] |
| \$0.00     | )   | \$1,980.00 | Extension for response filed within the fourth month: | []  |
| \$0.00     | )   | \$2,690.00 | Extension for response filed within the fifth month:  | []  |
| \$1,270.00 | •   | UBTOTAL:   | EXTENSION FEE SU                                      |     |
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| \$2,200.00 | CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:                               |            |   |     |
| \$0.00     | [ ] Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):            |            |   |     |
| \$0.00     | [ ] Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) |            |   |     |
| \$2,200.00 | :   | TAL FEE:   | TO  |     |

The above-identified fees of \$2,200.00 are being paid by credit card via EFS-Web. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by the credit card payment instructions in EFS-Web being incorrect or absent, resulting in a rejected or incorrect credit card transaction, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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